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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on July 2, 2003. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from October 2, 2003 to November 2, 2003 which is a Sunday. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, the amendment and response is timely if filed by the following business day.